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Following Italian order of battle is from our source Como: Dated the 20th of August, 12 MAS with Kriegs Marine personnel passed through Sannazzaro del Burgunditoria (sic) en route from Liguria. They were travelling in motor convoy. Dated the 26th of August, the 352nd Regiment of the 42nd Division is at Villa Bella in the vicinity of Alessandria. Dated the 21st of August, headquarters for the Kriegs Marine for upper Tyrrhenian are located at Serravallo, Scrivia. Headquarters for a Nazi Grenadier Division are located at Persi which is close to Scrivia.

Following is with reference to your #588-89: (A) We have no information of the 18th SS Division. (B) Organization of the Monte Bianco Division is still going on in Germany. (C) A mixed division of Italian SS and Nazi soldiers, the 43rd and 34th Nazi Divisions, the Italia Monte Rosa Division, the San Marco and the Cittorio Divisions are all to be included in the Graziani Army. (D) The Patria, Italia and Vendetta Brigades are located on the Padua Plain. These units are under Nazi orders. Following is from our source Helios: Dated the 25th of August, Captains Clemens and Vetter are members of the Nazi SS Command which is located at Cernobbio in the province of Como. These officers took part in the execution of 320 hostages on the Via Rasella in Rome. The Telephone numbers for the above Command are 2872 and 2844.

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